

Dear FCC,As other counrties around the world are eliminating the morse code proficiency requirement to obtain certain amateur radio licenses, so should the United States. Morse code is only one of an exponentially growing number of modes of communication. It makes no sense to require proficiency ONLY in morse communication and not others. Since it would be impractical to test an applicant's proficiency in all possible modes of communication, the proficiency requirement should be eliminated altogether. Allow technician licensees to retain their current frequency privileges and add to them the old Novice privileges on the 28 MHz band. After that, retain the current testing policies and require written theory examinations to gain further HF privileges.

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